

THE WEATHER

Washington, Feb. 6.—Fair tonight and Friday, a little change in temperature.

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COMMISSIONERS AGREE UPON PRINCIPLES OF WORLD LEAGUE; POWERS ARRANGE FOR CONFERENCE WITH RUSSIAN REDS

\$6,086,000,000 TAX BILL SETS WORLD MARK

Luxuries Hard Hit in Biggest Revenue Measure

SWEEPING PROVISIONS COVER EVERYTHING

Huge Incomes Clipped and Simple Pleasures Not Overlooked

NO EXTENSION OF TIME

March 15 Limit for Returns. Congress to Act Quickly on Conference Report

Washington, Feb. 6.—The biggest tax bill in the world's history was before Congress today for final approval.

When Representative Kitchin, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, presented the conference report on the war tax bill to the House, he announced it will gather for the fiscal year ending July 1, 1919, and in succeeding years a little less than \$4,200,000,000.

Nobody escapes. While big incomes and swollen profits bear heavy taxes the man of small and moderate means has to bear a heavy burden. The bill clamps the lid on luxury and even reaches out to simple pleasures.

Senator Lodge, Republican leader of the Senate, has publicly expressed the fear that it "imperils business," which he says is facing a very lean year.

Kitchin announced today he plans to call the conference report Saturday. He expects approval in one day.

The Senate probably will take it up next week if Kitchin gets it through the House as quickly as he hopes. Senate approval probably will take longer.

Income Returns Due March 15. No extension of the time for filing income and profits returns beyond March 15 will be made by the Treasury, Secretary Glass said today.

This means that individuals and business interests will have to make great haste in preparing and filing their returns, since forms for the reports will not be available for two or three weeks.

The first installment payment of 25 per cent will be due March 15.

If any business interests are not able to prepare final returns by March 15, Mr. Glass said, they may report approximate figures on income or profits and later file a supplementary report.

They also may begin immediately to make the necessary calculations in light of the revenue bill as reported.

In deciding to make no extension the Treasury reversed its former opinion that one would be necessary.

Taxes Almost Everything. The bill taxes almost everything.

AUTOS KILL TWO BOYS, ONE 10TH AND CHESTNUT

Youth Steps From Behind Trolley Car in Central Section

Two boys were killed today by automobiles on Tenth and Chestnut streets, and the other at Paul and Orthodox streets, Frankford.

LOGAN'S SALARY "OFFICE EXPENSE"

Swift & Co. Counsel Paid Philadelphian at First From Own Pocket

REFUSES TO NAME SUM

Washington, Feb. 6.—Henry Veeder, counsel for Swift & Co., declined to tell what salary he received, when questioned at this point today by Francis J. Heney, counsel for the Federal Trade Commission and for the Senate Agriculture Committee, in its hearings on pending meat industry legislation.

Mr. Veeder said his arrangement with Swift & Co. provided for the part payment of office expenses. Thomas F. Logan, of Philadelphia, a newspaperman who was confidential representative of the company, he said, was paid from the company's salary at first, and later by special check from Swift & Co.

The witness renewed his criticism of the Federal Trade Commission's report of its packers' investigation and referred to the reported intention of the British Government to audit this report as the basis of its inquiry into meat prices.

Senator Gronna, of North Dakota, insisted that Mr. Veeder's remarks in England, on the ground that it was not permitted under the espionage act. He agreed with Chairman Gore's ruling, however, that Mr. Veeder's remarks were directed at the Federal Trade Commission, not at an associated government.

Mr. Heney contended that J. Orden Armour and Louis F. Swift had confirmed the principal facts in the commission's report and that it was unfair to call it "vicious and erroneous."

WISSAHICKON BARRACKS DONE

Naval Station at Cape May Likely to Be Razed

Although a force of navy regulars is doing guard duty, the big Wissahickon naval station at Cape May is but a memory.

PLEA FOR IRELAND'S CAUSE

House Committee Adopts Resolution Favoring Self-Determination

Washington, Feb. 6.—The House Foreign Affairs Committee today ordered favorably the resolution, which is the hope that the peace conference will favorably consider the claims of Ireland to the right of self-determination.

WORKMAN KILLED BY FALL

James Cael Topples From Staging at Cramp's Shipyard

While at work in Cramp's shipyard today, James Cael, 723 East Girard avenue, fell from a staging and sustained injuries that caused his death. He was sixty-eight years old.

CATCH ALLEGED BOOTLEGGERS

2 RED DIVISIONS ANNIHILATED BY SIBERIAN TROOPS

Bolshevik Force Wiped Out by General Gaid's Army Near Perm

AMERICANS ROUT ENEMY

U. S. Soldiers Inflict Heavy Losses on foe on Archangel Front

By the Associated Press. Omsk, Feb. 3 (delayed).—Two divisions of Bolsheviks have been virtually annihilated by Siberian troops under General Gaid's army, fifty miles southeast of Perm, according to an official statement issued here today.

The city of Perm is now declared to be safe from Bolshevik attack. People who had fled from Perm to Ekaterinburg and other towns are returning.

The losses of the Siberian troops in the battle at Kungur are not given. General Gaid's forces are now twelve miles from Ufa, which was taken by Bolshevik forces some time ago.

Archangel, Feb. 6.—(By A. P.)—Heavy losses were inflicted on the Bolsheviks by the American forces Tuesday, and the enemy was driven back in disorder from the village of Vistavka on the attack. The American casualties were five killed and several wounded.

Many Bolshevik soldiers were taken prisoner by the Americans. The enemy early in the morning began a bombardment with field guns and howitzers, and under cover of a barrage of shells the Bolsheviks launched a frontal attack with infantry in the Arctic twilight at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The American troops, who were in the village of Vistavka, repulsed the attack with machine guns and rifles.

Chinese Now With Bolsheviks. Captured Bolsheviks declared that the enemy had planned a flank attack simultaneously with the frontal movement, but this was abandoned when the Chinese treatment of prisoners in the Manchurian provinces.

Tuesday's defeat of the enemy on the Vega, together with his failure to obtain the important cargo for the American and other Allied troops who are fighting with the utmost determination.

JAP STEAMSHIP COMING HERE

Malay Maru Resumes Commerce Between This Port and Orient

The first steamship to engage in commerce between Philadelphia and Japan since the outbreak of the war is due to arrive at this port within the next two or three days.

BEGIN PROBE OF BOLSHEVISM

Writer Subpoenaed to Appear Before Senate Committee

Washington, Feb. 6.—(By A. P.)—Chairman Overman today ordered a committee to begin at once the new inquiry ordered by the Senate into the propaganda of the Bolsheviks.

PLAN HEROES MEMORIAL

Paschallville Victory Celebration Association to Raise Funds

A meeting of the Paschallville Victory Celebration Association will be held tonight in the hall of St. Clement's School, Twenty-first street and Woodland avenue, to complete plans for raising funds for a memorial in honor of the soldiers who fell in the Paschallville battle.

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Taxes! They'll Get You Both "Going and Coming"

Washington, Feb. 6.—The world's greatest revenue bill hits every man with a living salary.

Married, drawing only \$2000 a year, he must pay \$60 if childless.

Single, with same income, he must pay \$120.

And at \$4000 income the rate jumps to 12 per cent, and surtaxes begin at \$5000.

If the income tax doesn't hit any citizen, still he or she will be taxed otherwise.

Tobacco—You must contribute to the revenue.

Ice Cream—Whenever you eat it you'll contribute.

The "movies"—Must help pay the tax on them.

Travel—Make a donation for ticket or Pullman.

"Near beer"—More tax; and tax on real liquor while it lasts.

Insurance or club dues—Tax.

"Joy rides"—The auto's taxed, too; so are pianos, chewing-gum, clothing.

Shopping—That's where the wife will help pay the war bill.

WORLD UNION PLAN MAPPED IN COMMITTEE

Framers of Constitution for Organization Complete Third of Pact

SMOOTH WRINKLES FROM LEAGUE PLAN

Lesser Countries Get Four More Members on Draft Commission

URGENT MANDATORY ISSUE

Allied War Leaders Meet Friday to Decide Armies' Size

By the Associated Press. Paris, Feb. 6.—Agreement on the principles underlying the whole draft for a society of nations has been reached by the commission which is framing the constitution. It was officially announced this afternoon.

German Assembly Opens Session at Weimar Today

Government Ready to Combat Threatened Spartan Revolution—New Regime at Bremen After Reds Are Driven Out

By the Associated Press. Amsterdam, Feb. 6.—Friedrich Ebert, the German Chancellor, will open the first session of the recently elected German National Assembly at Weimar at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

A new provisional government, composed of five majority Socialists, has been proclaimed in Bremen. It takes the place of the Bremen government composed of "people's mandatories" and the workmen's council. The new government was established following the defeat of the Spartacists by government troops, who entered the city after the bombardment in which many buildings were damaged. The Spartacists have withdrawn to Groepsingen.

Vienna, Feb. 5 (delayed).—(By A. P.)—President Dinghofer, of the German Austrian National Assembly, in opening yesterday's session, greeted the German National Assembly, which will meet at Weimar on Thursday. He said: "Conditions which will accord us our wish to participate in that assembly have not yet arrived, but we must not, in the meantime, let pass unnoticed such an important event. The great German ideal is not extinguished for Germans in this country. Let us salute our brothers in Germany with enthusiasm. Let us rejoice with them that the German people are united and are not divided by the jealousy of rulers."

Berlin, Feb. 5 (delayed).—The government today was understood to have completed its plan for a nationwide attempt of the Spartacists to seize control, scheduled for tomorrow (Thursday).

A movement is already under way to strike at both the National Assembly and the present government which has been moved to Weimar. Soldiers' councils have seized the telegraph facilities in Eisenach and Erfurt, in that district, and a large force of Spartacists and mutinous soldiers were reported yesterday to be marching on Weimar from Götting, thirty-five miles to the west.

CHILD PLAYING NEAR RANGE—FATALLY BURNED

Left alone for a few minutes by the mother, Elizabeth Caruso, six years old, of 1035 Locust street, Camden, is in a dying condition at Cooper Hospital, from burns received while lighting paper at the kitchen range. Her brother, Nicholas, three years old, was burned about the hands in an effort to save his sister.

20 BUILDINGS BURN IN FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Feb. 6.—Twenty buildings in the heart of Fairbanks business district have been destroyed by a fire which started early today and is still raging.

ARRESTED AS PICKPOCKETS ON CHESTNUT ST. CAR

Jacob Rubin, Eighth street below Shunk, and Alexander Brendeman, of Pittsburgh, were arrested this afternoon on a Chestnut street trolley car. It is said they stole a purse from Tailip Merz, an architect in the Pennsylvania Building. Both men were held for court under \$1000 bail each.

WIRTSCHAFTER TRIAL SET BACK

Negro Accuser of Fifth Ward Patrolman Disappears From Boardroom

HEARING ON THURSDAY

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Wirtschafter is one of the patrolmen recently convicted in connection with the Fifth Ward conspiracy case.

In the trial room today were Detective James Lavelle and a detective from the American Railway Express Company, who say they want Pugh on a charge of larceny. It is believed by the police that the negro saw them and made a quick getaway before being called to testify against the accused patrolmen.

Patrolmen Wirtschafter and Stevenson, who are attached to the Second and Christian streets police station, were suspended from duty last week following Pugh's original declaration to Police Captain David McCoach that the effect that the patrolmen had demanded \$50 from him because of their alleged influence in his behalf in connection with a robbery.

Accused of Theft. The robbery occurred on the night of February 4, when three bottles of whisky were taken from the store of A. Salus, 210 South Broad street, which was kept in the number of crimes reported within the last twenty-four hours.

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TO POSTPONE MEETING

Anti-Soviets at Paris Decry "Ignoble Comedy" Which Powers Sanction

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The Bolshevik Government not only accepted the invitation to attend the conference, but, according to wireless messages received in London, is willing to acknowledge financial obligations held by creditors of Entente nationality. The Soviet Government also is willing to give concessions to Allied citizens and to begin negotiations to cease hostilities.

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The wireless dispatch from the Soviet Government accepting the invitation was received last night while the conference commission on a society of nations was in session.

The members of the committee will be announced soon. One of the American delegates will be a personal friend of President Wilson, and another a resident of Europe for a number of years, and the other will be an American editor well known in the Middle West.

The original date for the meeting on the Princes Islands, February 15, probably will be changed in order to give the committee time to reach the islands.

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Police censorship over robberies and hold-ups has caused a marked decrease in the number of crimes reported within the last twenty-four hours.

An order to put the "soft pedal" on police districts in the city. Police officials explained that the suppression of such news comes as a supplement to the "unwritten law" under which they keep secret information about crime.

Only petty crimes will be made public and the police have apprehended the criminals.

Eight suspects held last night in a dragnet put out by Captain of Detectives Souder were each held for court under \$500 bail today by Magistrate McLeary at the Central Station.

The men, held as pickpockets, gave their names as follows: Teddy Roseman, South Sixteenth street; Harry Miller, Vine street; Tobias Linder, Tasker street; Isadore Sander, South Fifth street; Isaac Rothman, Vine street; Samuel Cohen, Vine street; George Weaver, Green street; and Julius Sae, North Thirteenth street.

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